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CARROLL COUNTY QUORUM COURT SPECIAL SESSION
JANUARY 7, 2019

The Carroll County Quorum Court held a special session on January 7, 2019 in the Eastern District Courthouse in Berryville to pass an ordinance establishing the date, time and place of monthly meetings of the Carroll County Quorum Court for the Years 2019 and 2020 and to adopt the procedural guide for Arkansas County Quorum Court Meetings. Judge Barr called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

JP Don McNeely led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was taken with all members present (JPs Jack Deaton, Chuck Olson, Harrie Farrow, Marty Johnson, Matt Phillips, Craig Hicks, Kellie Stevens Matt, Don McNeely, Larry Swofford, and John Howerton). JP Roger Hall was absent.

Discussion ensued from members concerning work schedules and the importance of having meetings in the evenings versus during the day to involve more citizens in the governmental process. JP Jack Deaton made a motion to set the meeting, date, time, and place as it has been being the 3rd Monday of each month at 5PM in the Eastern District Courthouse located in Berryville, AR. It was seconded by JP Larry Swofford and passed by voice vote.

A motion was made by JP Jack Deaton to move the regular meetings for January and February from the 3rd to the 4th Mondays due to the Martin Luther King and President's Day holidays. The motion was seconded by JP Chuck Olson and passed by voice vote.

Judge Barr read the Notice of Appointments that are required by Law. Those being attached. JP Kellie Matt agreed to be the liason to the Quorum Court and JP Matt Phillips to the NW Regional Transit Board.

JP Jack Deaton discussed the possible need for a Personnel grievance committee. JP Larry Swofford wondered if this was necessary as an employee can request the whole Quorum Court to hear a grievance. JP Harrie Farrow thought it would be good to use outside sources to sit on the committee as it was felt there should be wider diversity. Judge Sam Barr reiterated that the Elected Officials can't tell the other departments how to run their offices so a grievance committee may not be a good idea.

The Budget Committee will need to meet as soon as possible to discuss financial concerns in the Sheriff's office. It was mentioned that committee members do get paid for attending committee meetings but other Quorum Court members were welcome and encouraged to attend along with the public.

The new JPs, Laurie "Harrie" Farrow and Kellie Stevens Matt were welcomed.

A motion was made by JP Marty Johnson to adjourn the meeting and JP Matt Phillips seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:23PM.